## REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are currently pending in this application. In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1, 3 and 9 as by anticipated by Kamimura (Pub. No. U.S. 2002/0094806A1) under 35 U.S.C. 102(b). Claims 2, 4 and 5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kamimura in view of Heie (U.S. 2002/0111198). Claim 6 was rejected under 35 U.S.C 112 2nd paragraph as being indefinite. It is gratefully acknowledged that Claims 7 and 8 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form, including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 1, 3 and 5-9 are amended and are believed to be patentably distinguished from the references cited by the Examiner. Please cancel Claims 2 and 4 without prejudice.

Elements from cancelled Claim 2 and Claim 4 have been incorporated into amended Claim 1 and amended Claim 3, respectively, reciting the storing of a plurality of vibration patterns, where the vibration patterns include information associated with time periods for which vibration generation is maintained, time periods for which vibration generation stops, and intensity of vibration for each time period; and the setting of a vibration pattern from among the stored vibration patterns.

The Examiner has asserted with respect to the configuring and storing a plurality of vibration patterns according to a user's input that Kamimura teaches correlating stored names and telephone numbers to a specific vibration pattern. However, the Examiner acknowledges that Kamimura fails to teach the plurality of vibration patterns including information associated with time periods for which vibration generation is maintained, time periods for which vibration generation stops, and the intensity of vibration for each period, and relies on Heie as allegedly disclosing these elements.
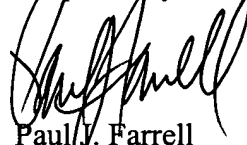
Heie discloses a method and apparatus for providing a notification of a received message when the user may not have received the initial alert. The user may select different types of alerts (vibration, beep, LED, etc.). The user may also select a predetermined set of alerts that increase in strength, such as if three beeps were selected, the second beep would be louder than the first and the third beep would be louder than the second. However, while addressing intensity of beep alerts, nowhere does Heie address information varying the intensity of vibration or the periods for which vibration generation is maintained or is stopped for "vibration" alerts. Further, with respect to even beep alerts, while the intensity of the beeps and number of beeps is taught by Heie, there is no teaching of stop and start periods. Consequently, while Heie might teach multiple beeps, it does not

teach staggering start and stop periods such that more numerous and varied sound alerts can be provided.

Because neither Kamimura, nor Heie teaches or suggests the plurality of vibration patterns including information for associated with time periods for which vibration generation is maintained and time periods for which vibration generation is stopped, it is believed that Claims 1 and 3 are patentably distinguished from these references.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1, 3, and 5-9, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

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